

## **Appendix 4.10-A**

### **Open Space Municipal Correspondence**



December 23, 2008

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

Ref: 10111.31

Marc Rousseau  
Planning & Community Development Department  
Town of Easton  
136 Elm Street  
North Easton, MA 02356

RE: South Coast Rail Project

Dear Sir,

The Executive Office of Transportation and Public Works (EOT) is proposing a transportation project to provide public transportation between Boston and the cities of Fall River and New Bedford within the Commonwealth's South Coast region. The South Coast Rail project is undergoing a joint state (MEPA) and federal (NEPA) environmental review process. An Environmental Notification Form (ENF) was submitted for review under MEPA on November 17, 2008. As noted in the ENF, based upon Massachusetts Geographic Information Systems (MassGIS), segments of the South Coast Rail alternatives are in proximity to open space owned by the Town of Easton (see attached figures):

SITE NAME	OWNER	MANAGER
Fields associated with Center Elementary School	Town of Easton	Town of Easton School Department
Conservation Land	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Conservation Commission
Conservation Land	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Conservation Commission
Conservation Land	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Conservation Commission
Conservation Land	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Conservation Commission
Conservation Land	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Conservation Commission
Fields associated with Oliver Ames School & Easton Middle School	Town of Easton	Town of Easton School Department
Ricker Field	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Conservation Commission
Fields associated with Southeastern Reg Voc Tech HS	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Regional School District
Town Land	Town of Easton	Town of Easton Board of Selectmen
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Very truly yours,

VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.



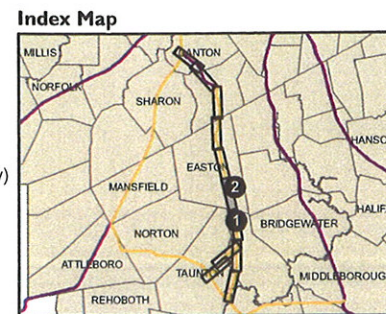
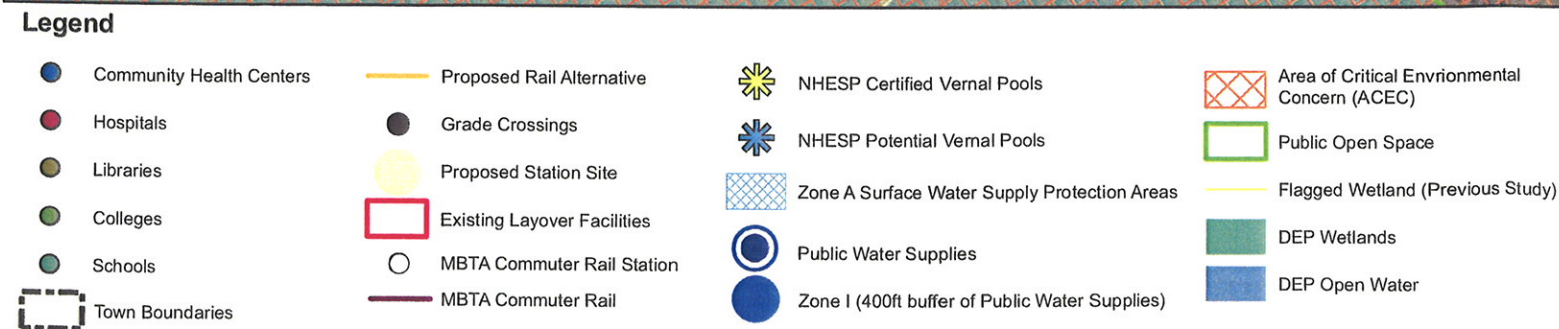
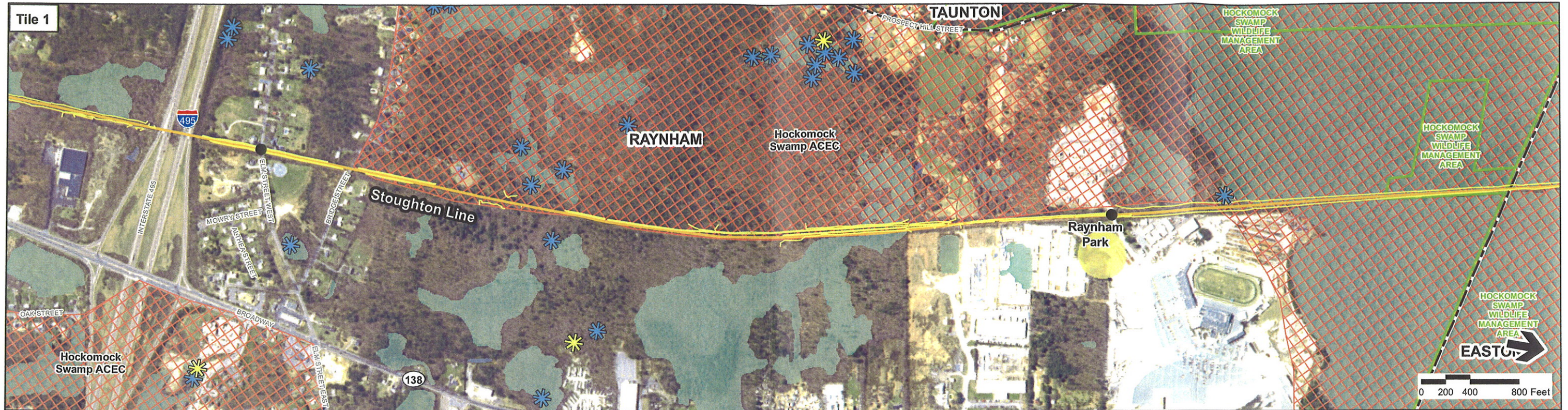
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Enclosure: Site Locus Maps

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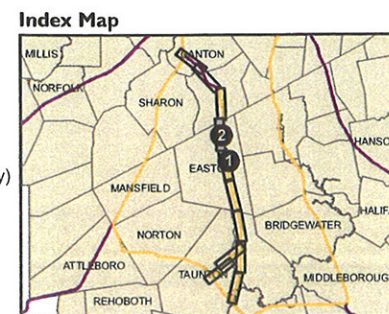
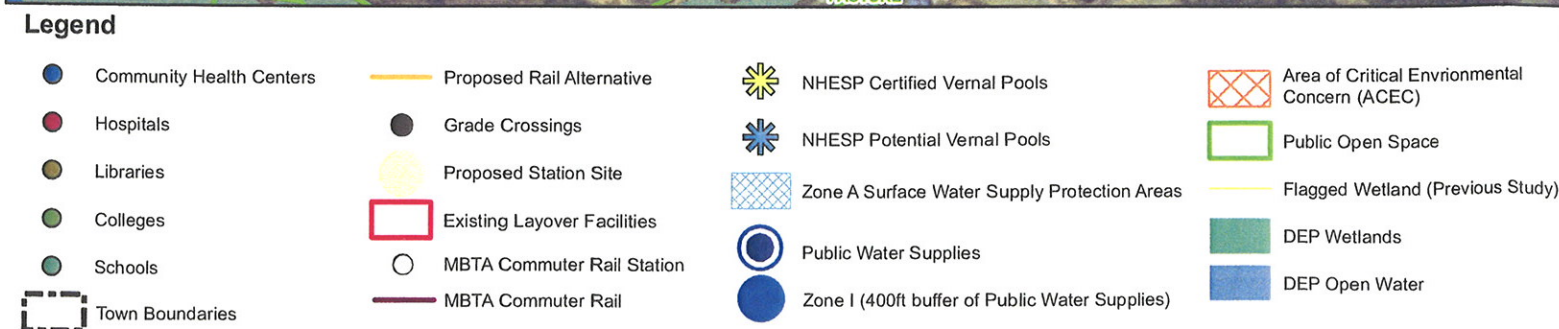




**Figure 5-9c**  
**Weir Junction to Canton Junction**  
**Stoughton Line**

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**EOT**

**SOUTH COAST RAIL**

**Figure 5-9d**  
Weir Junction to Canton Junction  
Stoughton Line

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**Subject:** Town-owned Land Abutting Rail ROW  
**Attachments:** Town-owned Land Abutting Rail ROW.xls

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**From:** Danielson, Stephanie [mailto:SDanielson@easton.ma.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 06, 2009 1:26 PM  
**To:** Standley, Lisa  
**Subject:** Town-owned Land Abutting Rail ROW

Lisa,

Attached is the list of town-owned land abutting the Rail ROW. Since no parcel identification is provided, it is hard to tell what the parcels are in the list VHB sent. This list does not include property owned by the Southeastern Regional School District, as it is not town-owned and does not include fields associated with Oliver Ames High School and the Middle School, since these are no where near the ROW.

Stephanie Danielson  
Land Use Agent

Department of Planning & Community Development  
Town of Easton  
136 Elm Street  
Easton, MA 02356

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MAP_PAR_ID	SITE_NAME	STREET_NAM	MANAGER	COMMENTS
12R-4	Prospect Street Area	29 Prospect Street	Conservation Commission	Conservation Land
38U-62	Depot Street Area	288 Depot Street	Conservation Commission	Conservation Land
27U-34	Water Commission Land	100 Baldwin Street	Water Commissioners	
38U-54	Purchase Street Area	61R Purchase Street	Town of Easton Selectmen	
4U-3	Wedgewood Drive Area	73 Wedgewood Drive	Town of Easton Selectmen	Conservation restriction
16R-27	Foundry Street Area	272 Foundry Street	Conservation Commission	conservation land
12R-8	Prospect Street Area	36 Prospect Street	Town of Easton Selectmen	
38U-57	Purchase Street Area	51 Purchase Street	Town of Easton Selectmen	Foreclosure Decree 04-20-1988
32U-21	Water Commission Land	218R Center Street	Water Commissioners	
27U-32	Old Baldwin Street Dump Area	95R Baldwin Street	Conservation Commission	conservation land
22U-8	DPW Garage	130 Center Street	Town of Easton Selectmen	DPW Barn
4U-93	Water Commission Land	34R Miller Road	Water Commissioners	
4U-123	Cobblestone Road Area	16R Cobblestone Road	Conservation Commission	conservation land



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Jim Hartnett, Director of Planning  
City of Fall River  
1 Government Center, 5th Floor  
Fall River, MA 02722

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Griffin Playground	City of Fall River	City of Fall River Parks and Recreation Department
Heritage Park	City of Fall River	City of Fall River Parks and Recreation Department
Walkway	City of Fall River	City of Fall River Parks and Recreation Department
Kennedy Park (2 parcels)	City of Fall River	City of Fall River Parks and Recreation Department
North Park	City of Fall River	City of Fall River Parks and Recreation Department
Turner Playground	City of Fall River	(unavailable)
(Unnamed - see attached Figure 5.3a, Tile 2)	City of Fall River	(unavailable)

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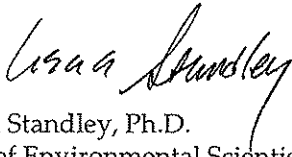
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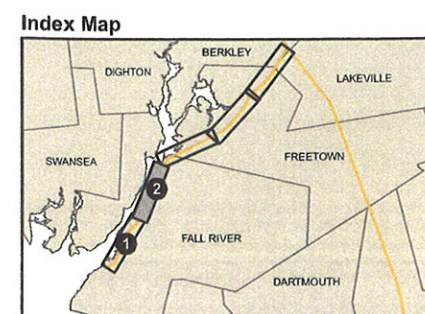
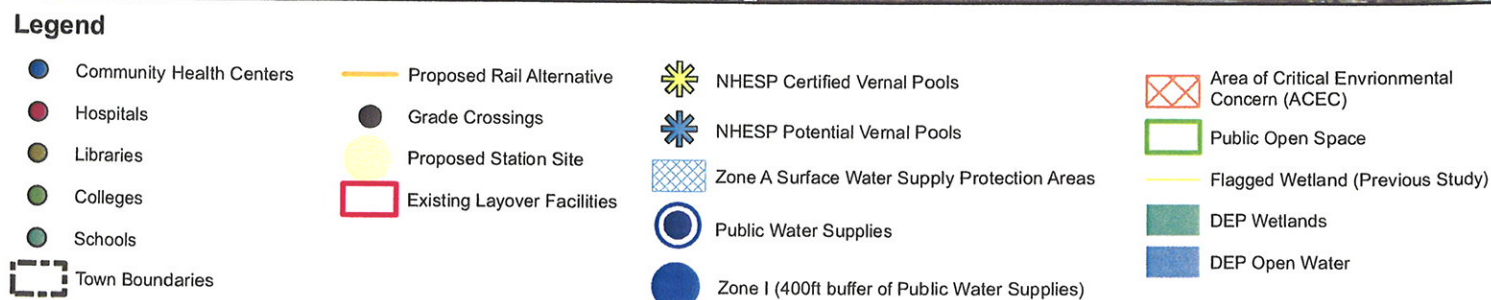
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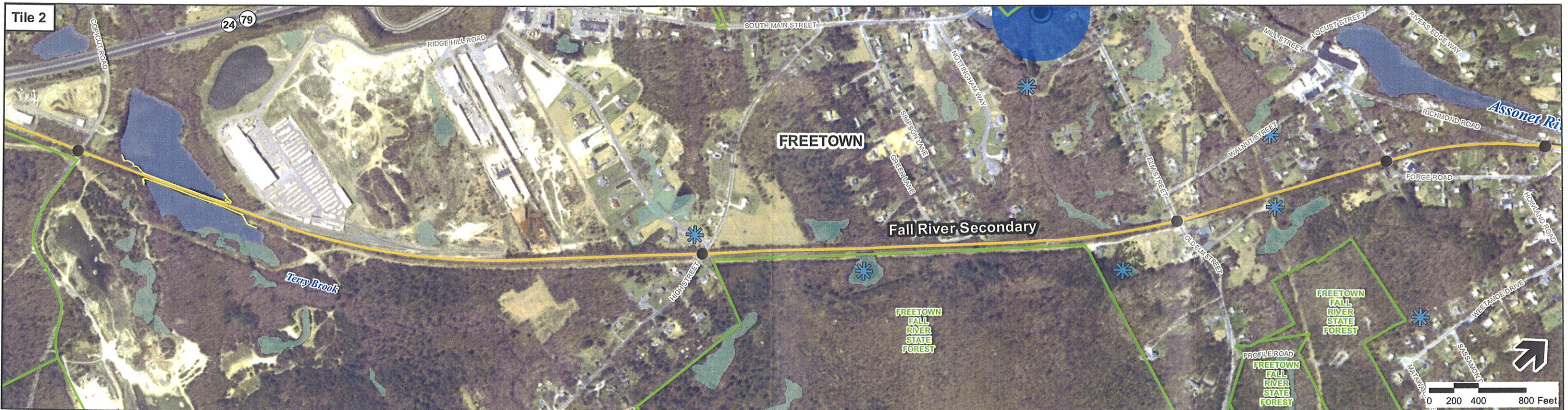
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**SOUTH COAST RAIL**

**Figure 5-3a**  
**Fall River Secondary to Myricks Junction**

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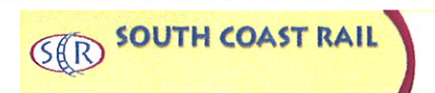
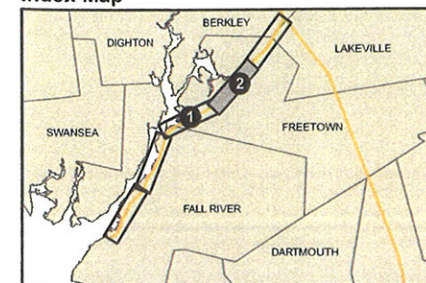




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**Figure 5-3b**  
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Laurie A. Carvalho  
Freetown Planning & Land Use Administrator  
3 North Main Street  
Assonet, MA 02702

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Freetown Common	Town of Freetown	Town of Freetown Department of Public Works
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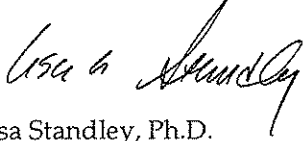
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Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2354  
**617.728.7777 • FAX 617.728.7782**  
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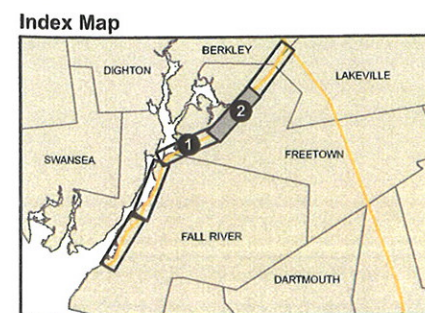
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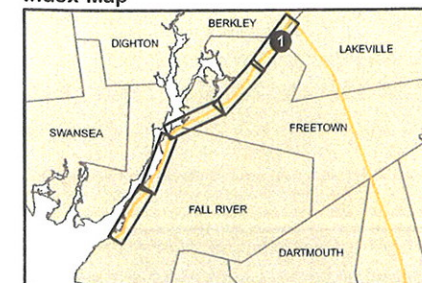


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| Hospitals                | Grade Crossings             | NHESP Potential Vernal Pools                   | Public Open Space                             |
| Libraries                | Proposed Station Site       | Zone A Surface Water Supply Protection Areas   | Flagged Wetland (Previous Study)              |
| Colleges                 | Existing Layover Facilities | Public Water Supplies                          | DEP Wetlands                                  |
| Schools                  |                             | Zone I (400ft buffer of Public Water Supplies) | DEP Open Water                                |
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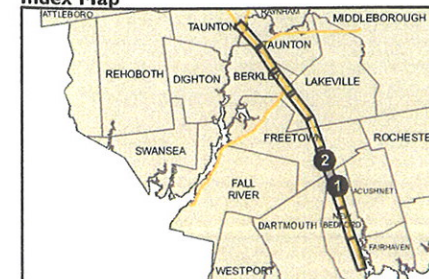




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**Figure 5-4b**  
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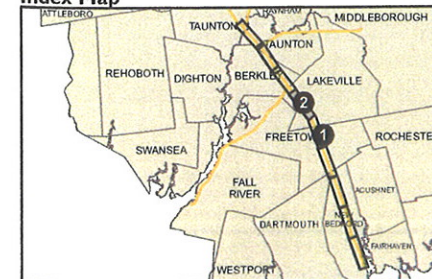




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**TOWN OF FREETOWN  
OFFICE OF THE  
PLANNING/LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR  
TOWN HALL, 3 NORTH MAIN STREET  
ASSONET, MASSACHUSETTS  
508-644-2270**

January 27, 2009

Lisa Standley, Ph.D.  
C/O Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.  
99 High Street, 10<sup>th</sup> floor  
Boston, MA 02110-2354

RE: South Coast Rail Project

Dear Madam,

Per your written request dated December 23, 2008 (Re: 10111.31) enclosed are several maps depicting parcels of land within the town of Freetown that are currently protected and/or being used for active/passive recreation in proximity of the proposed South Coast Rail Project.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description of Property</u>	<u>Owners Address</u>
Map 233 Lot 28	DEP Interim Wellhead Zone 1	Town of Freetown
Map 211 Lot 182	Hathaway Park	Town of Freetown
Map 211 Lots 148, 149	Assonet Burying Ground	Town of Freetown
Map 204 Lots 14 & 16	Boy's Club of Fall River Recreation	PO Box 215 Fall River, MA 02720
Map 206 Lot 23	Boy's Club of Fall River	
Map 204 Lot 17	Wildlands Trust of SE MA Recreation	PO Box 2282 Duxbury, MA 02332
Map 204 Lot 22	Wildlands Trust of SE MA	
Map 233 Lot 31	Freetown Conservation Land	Town of Freetown



If you need any further assistance, please feel free to contact me at 508-644-2270 extension 1402.

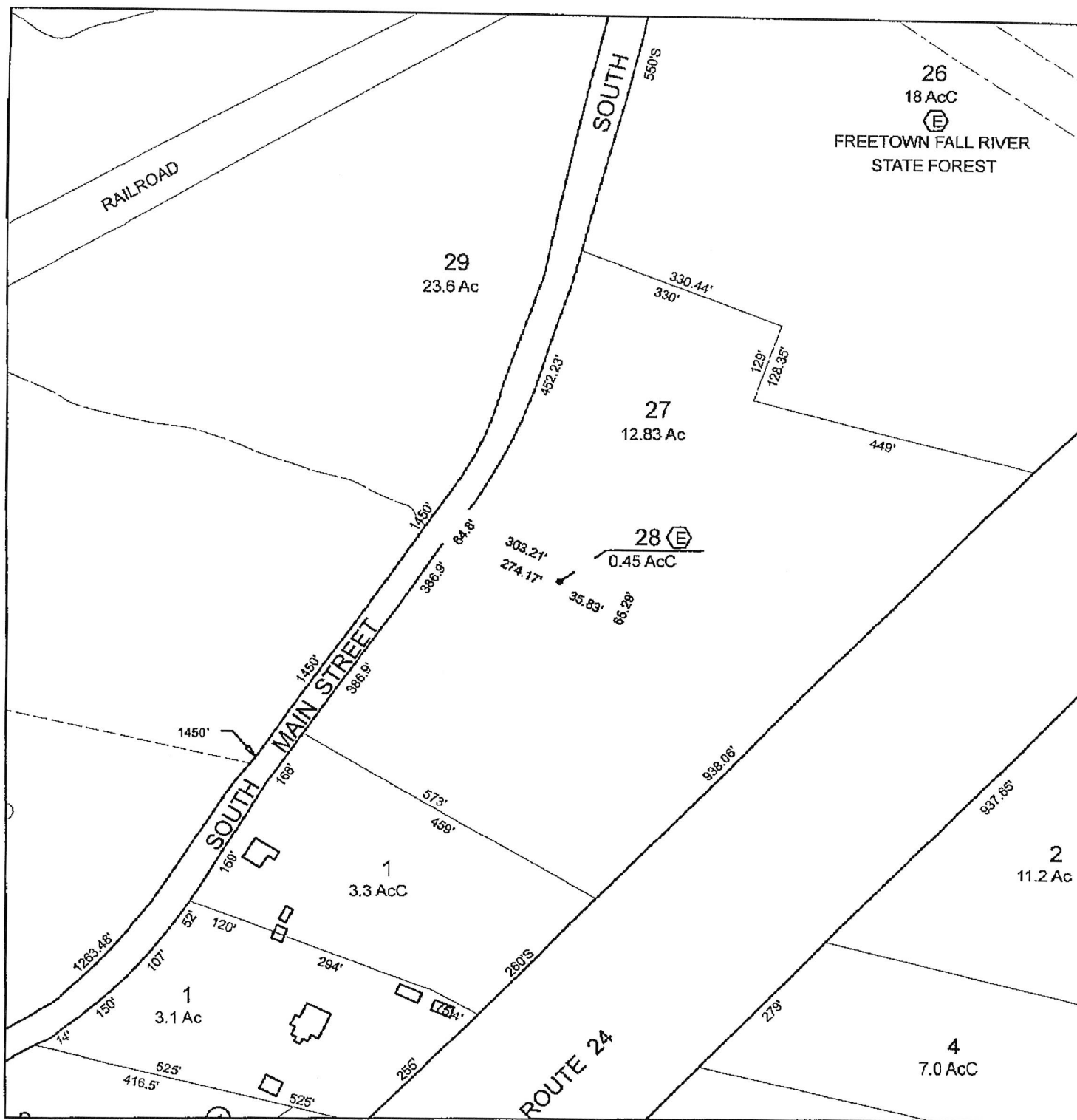
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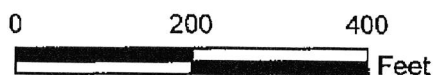
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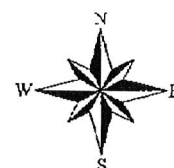
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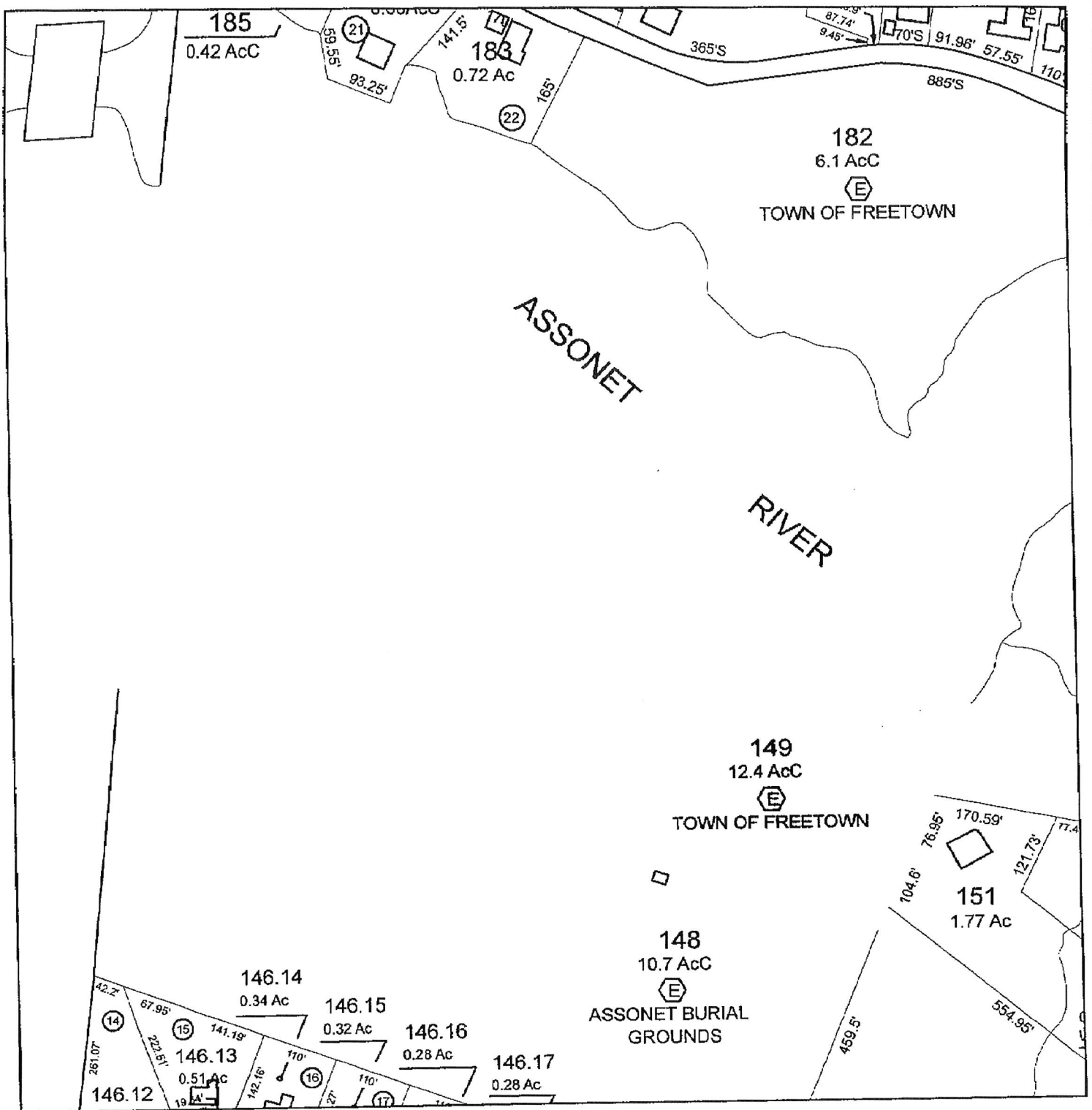


**Map 233 Lot 28 DEP Interim Wellhead Zone 1**  
Freetown, MA



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# BERKLEY

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FALL RIVER**14**

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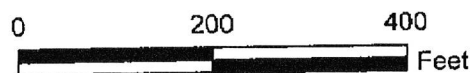
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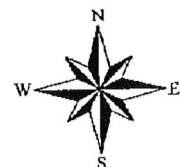
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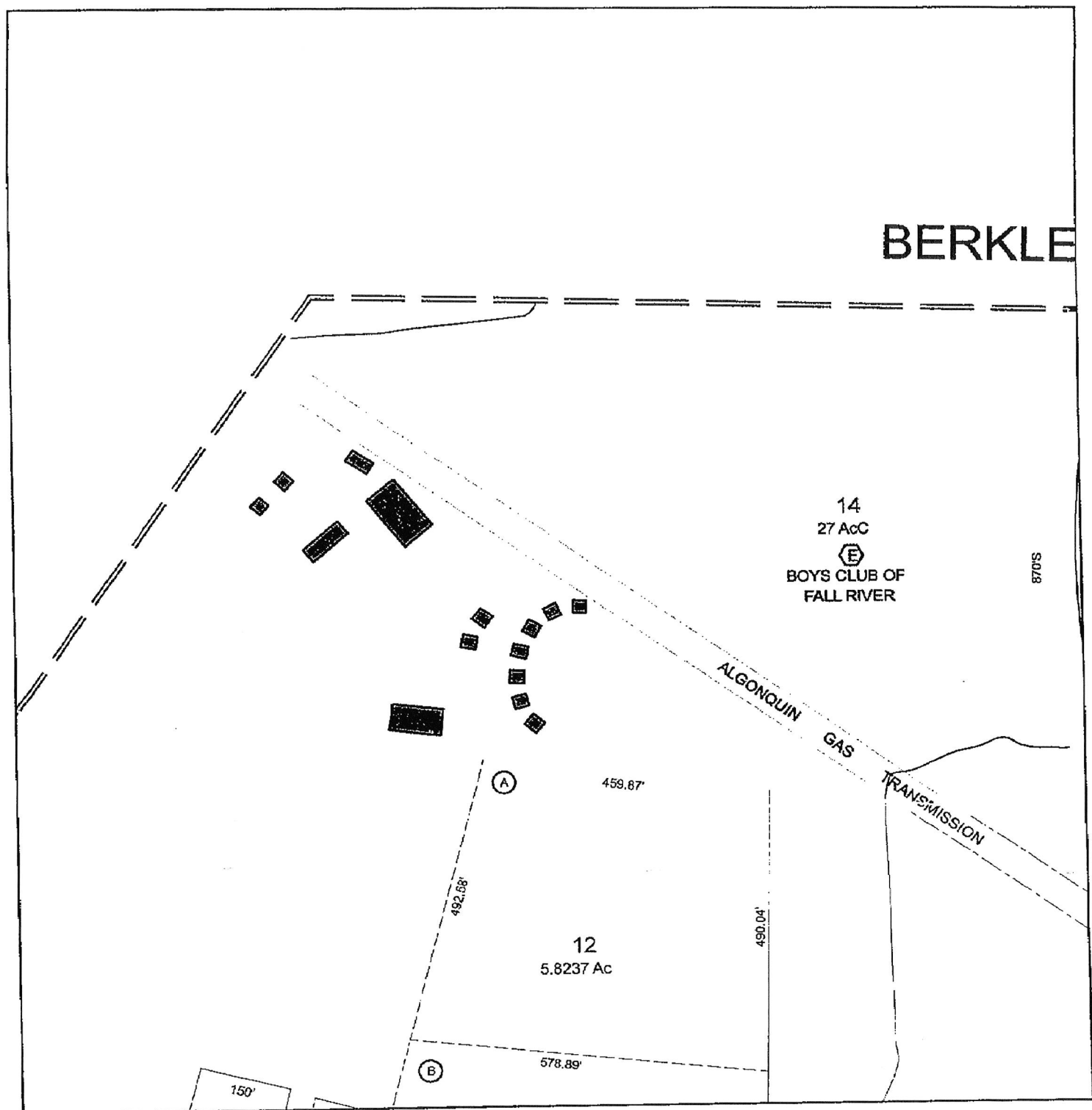
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## Boy's Club of Fall River Map 204 Lots 14 & 16 Freetown, MA

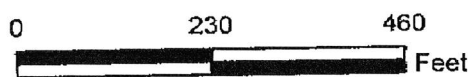


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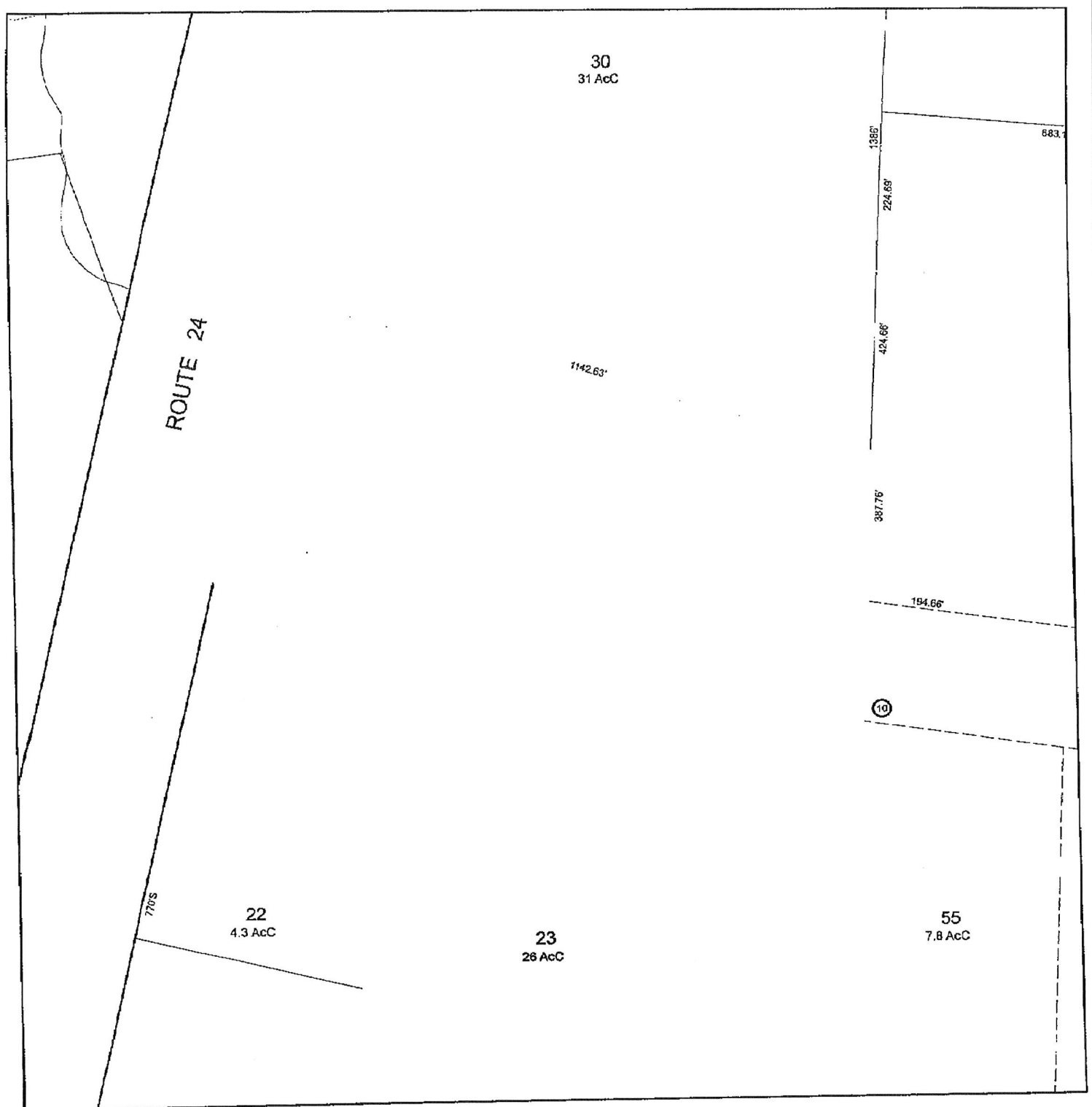


**Boy's Club Camp Ground 127 N. Main St. Map 204 Lot 14  
Freetown, MA**

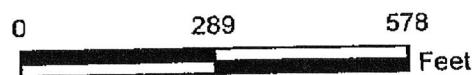


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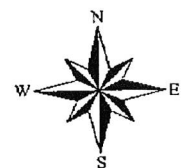


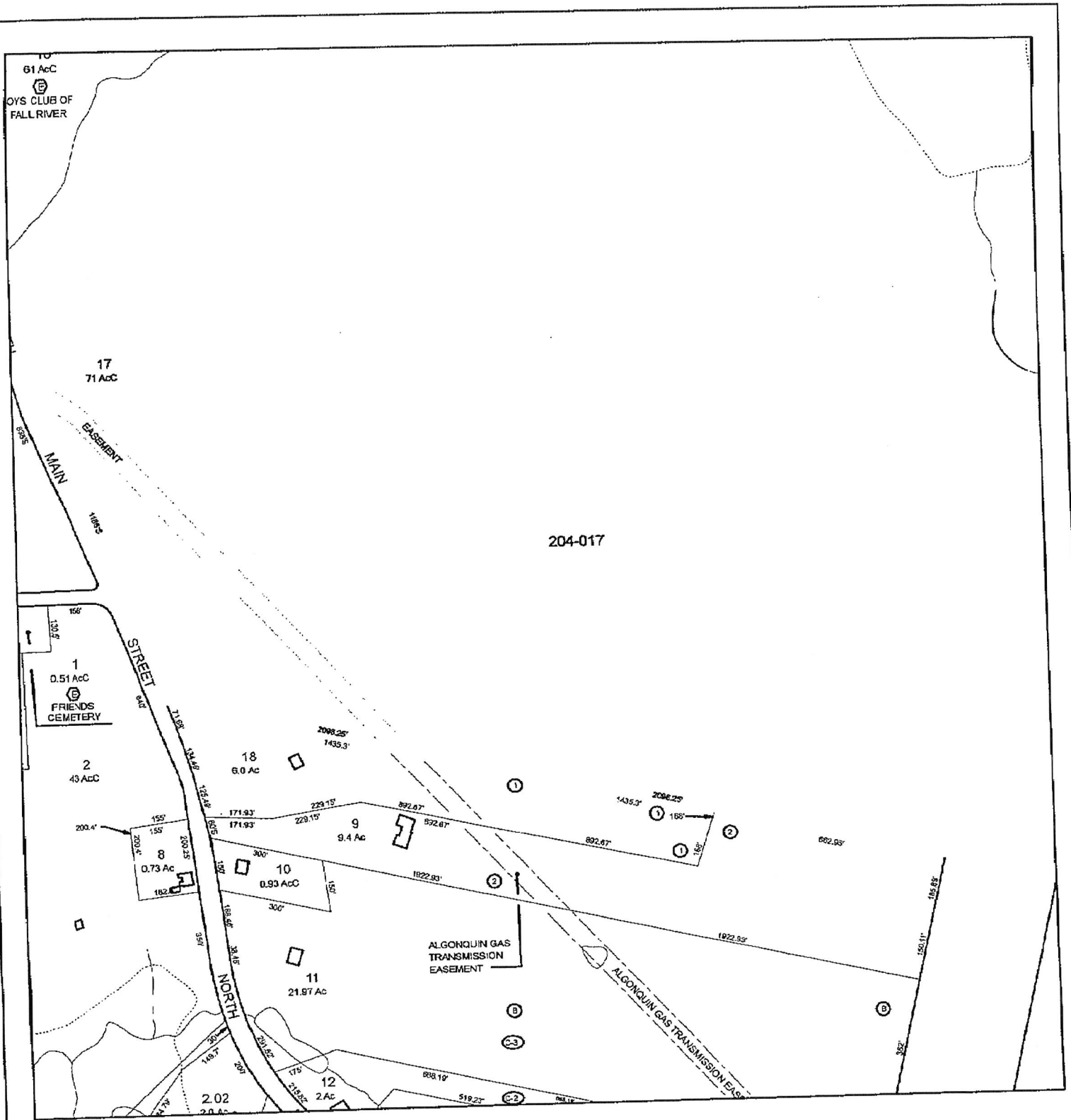


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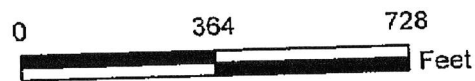


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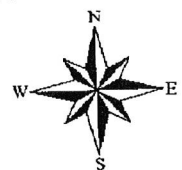




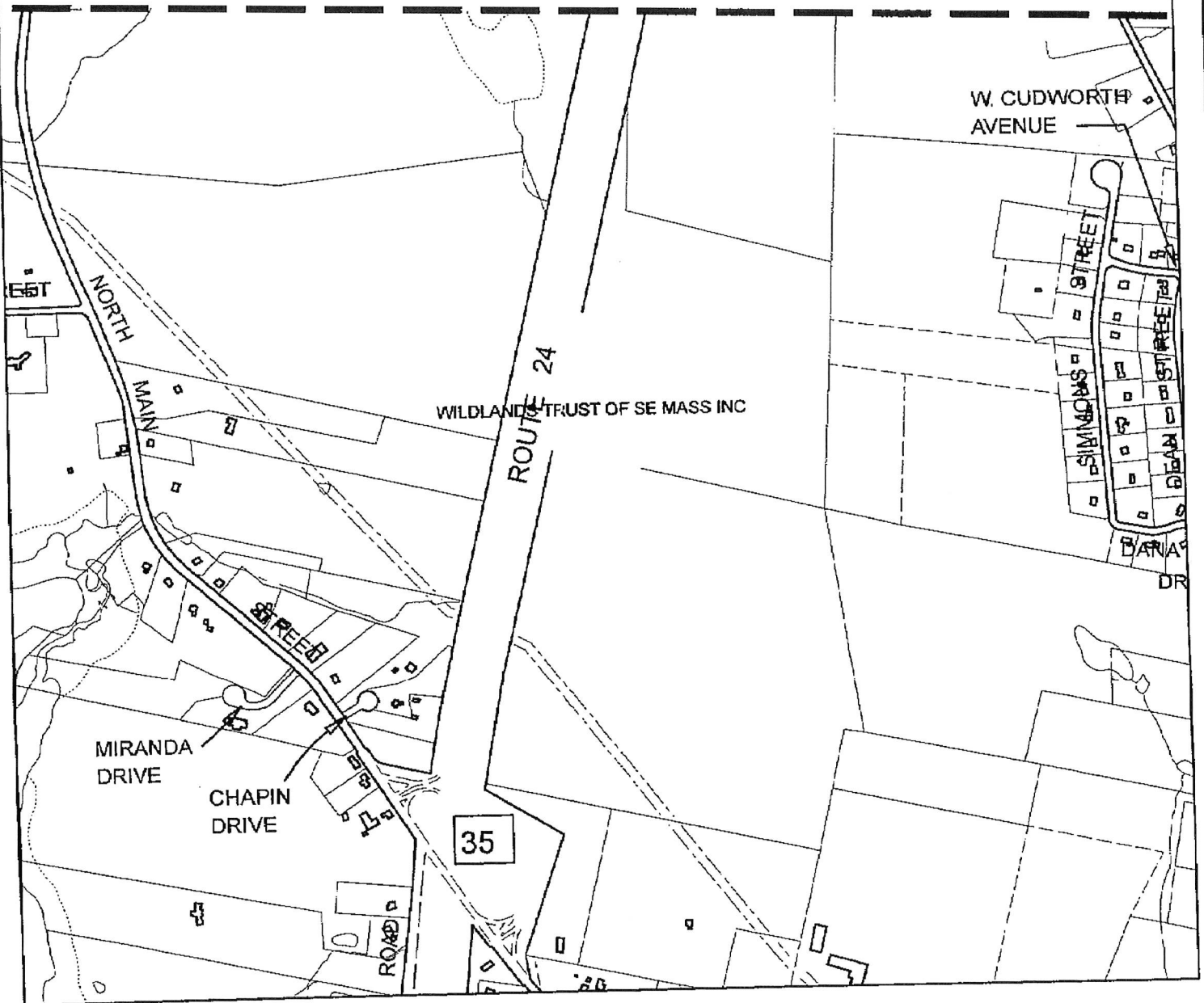
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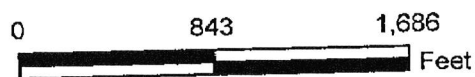
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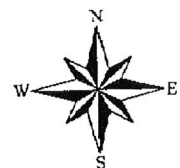
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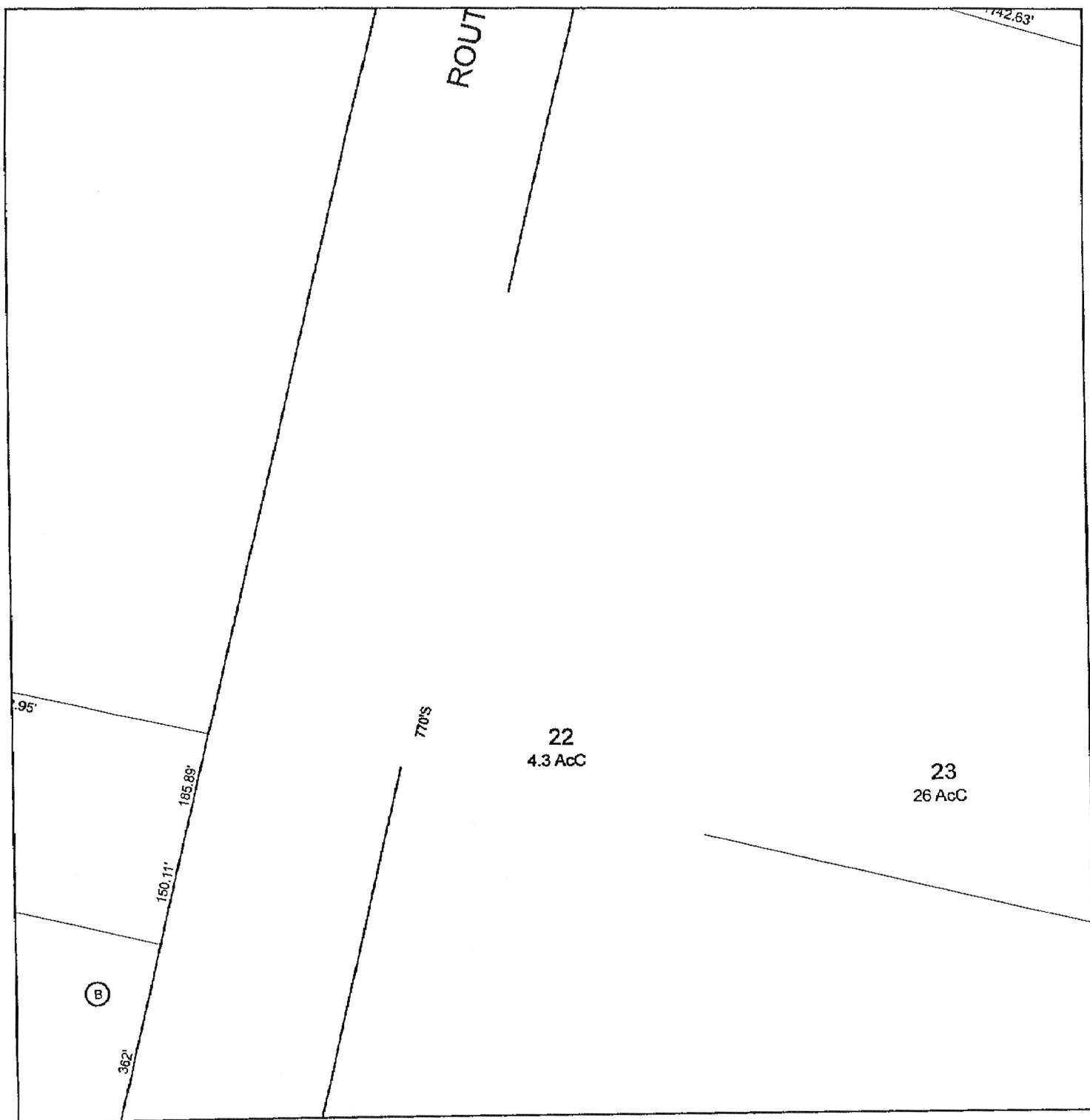
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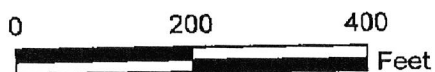
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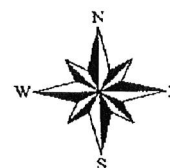


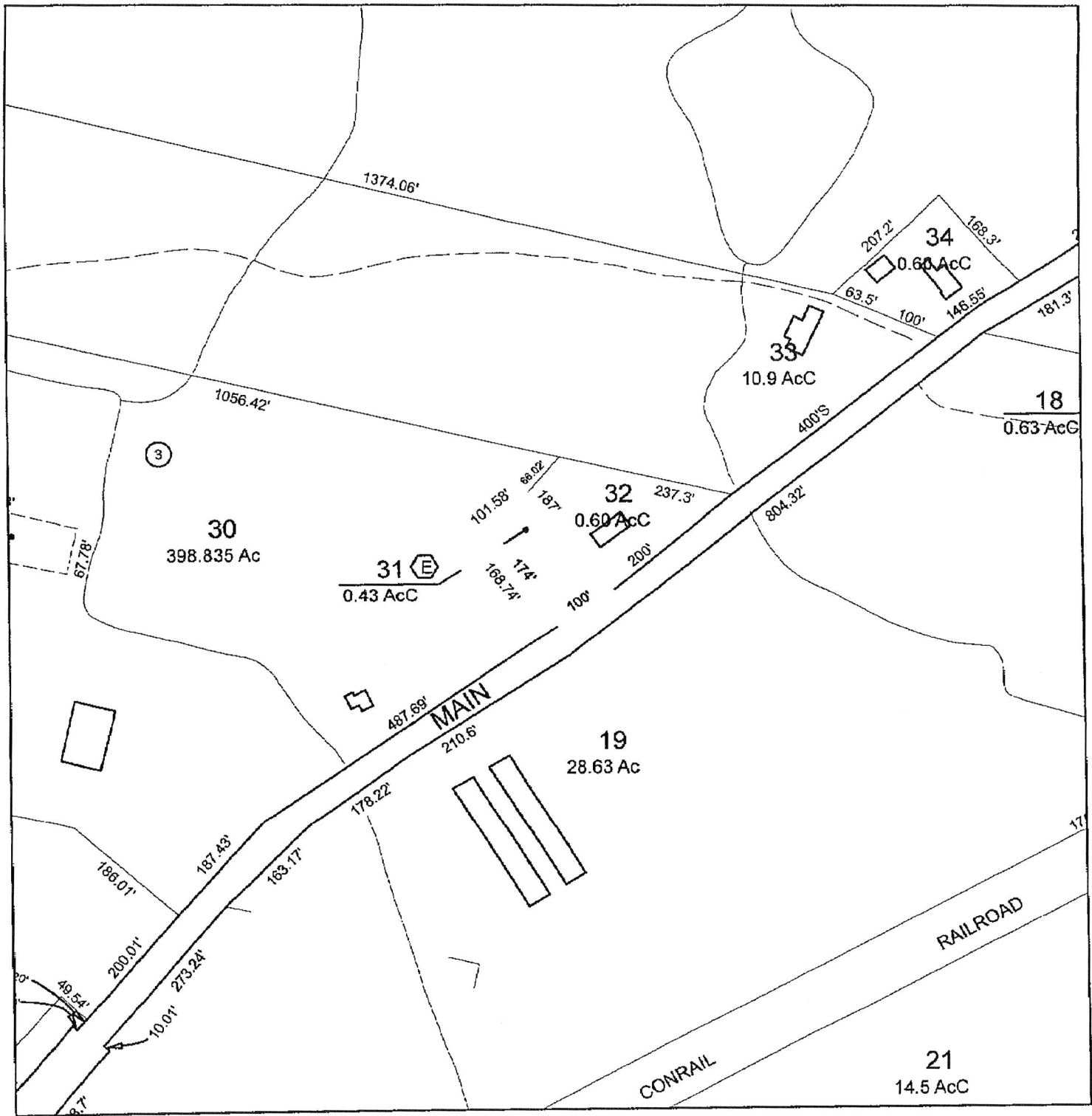


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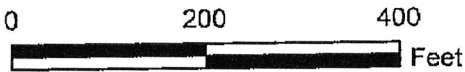


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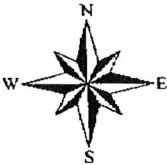




Freetown Conservation Land Map 233 Lot 31  
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January 28, 2009

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

Ref: 10111.31

Laurie A. Carvalho  
Town of Freetown Planning/Land Use Administrator  
Town Hall  
3 North Main Street  
Assonet, MA 02702

RE: South Coast Rail Project

Dear Ms. Carvalho,

On behalf of the Executive Office of Transportation and Public Works (EOT), I would like to thank you for your prompt confirmation of Freetown properties currently protected and/or being used for active/passive recreation in proximity to the proposed South Coast Rail Project.

We are currently reviewing the provided information and supporting maps and will contact you with any questions. In the meantime, if you should have any questions, please call me at (617) 924-1770.

Your assistance with this request is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.

*Kristen L. Peach*

for

Lisa Standley, Ph.D.  
Chief Environmental Scientist

cc. Kristina Egan, EOT



December 23, 2008

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

Ref: 10111.31

Lakeville Planning Board  
ATTN: James Marot, Chairman  
346 Bedford Street  
Lakeville, MA 02347

RE: South Coast Rail Project

Dear Sir,

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SITE NAME	OWNER	MANAGER
Fields associated with Apponquet Regional High School (2 parcels)	M102/M146	Regional School District

Source: MassGIS

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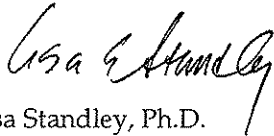
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Lisa Standley, Ph.D.  
Chief Environmental Scientist

Enclosure: Site Locus Maps

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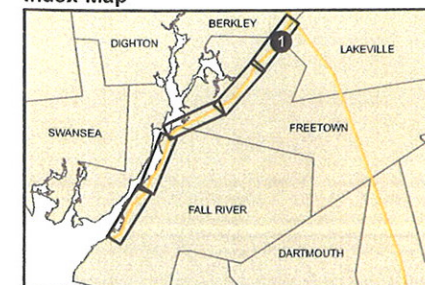


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| ● Community Health Centers | — Proposed Rail Alternative   | ☀ NHESP Certified Vernal Pools                   | ⊠ Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) |
| ● Hospitals                | ● Grade Crossings             | ☀ NHESP Potential Vernal Pools                   | □ Public Open Space                             |
| ● Libraries                | □ Proposed Station Site       | ▨ Zone A Surface Water Supply Protection Areas   | — Flagged Wetland (Previous Study)              |
| ● Colleges                 | □ Existing Layover Facilities | ● Public Water Supplies                          | ■ DEP Wetlands                                  |
| ● Schools                  |                               | ● Zone I (400ft buffer of Public Water Supplies) | ■ DEP Open Water                                |
| ⬜ Town Boundaries          |                               |  |   |

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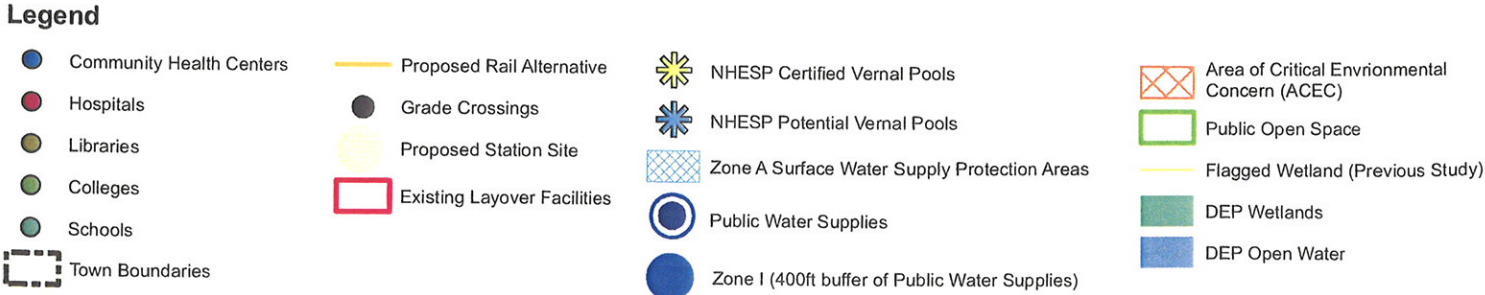
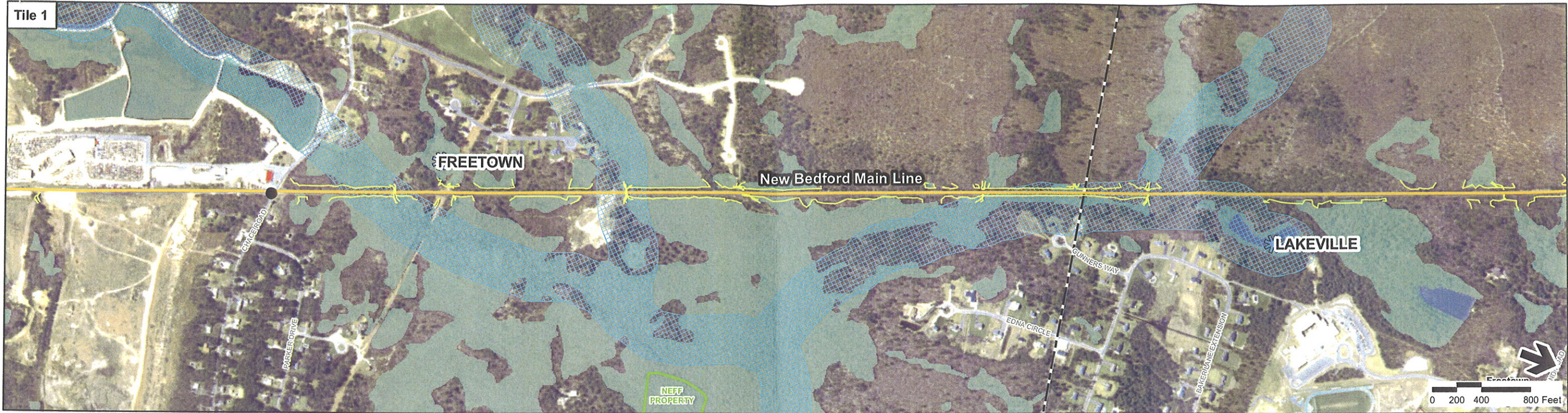


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**Figure 5-3c**  
**Fall River Secondary to Myricks Junction**

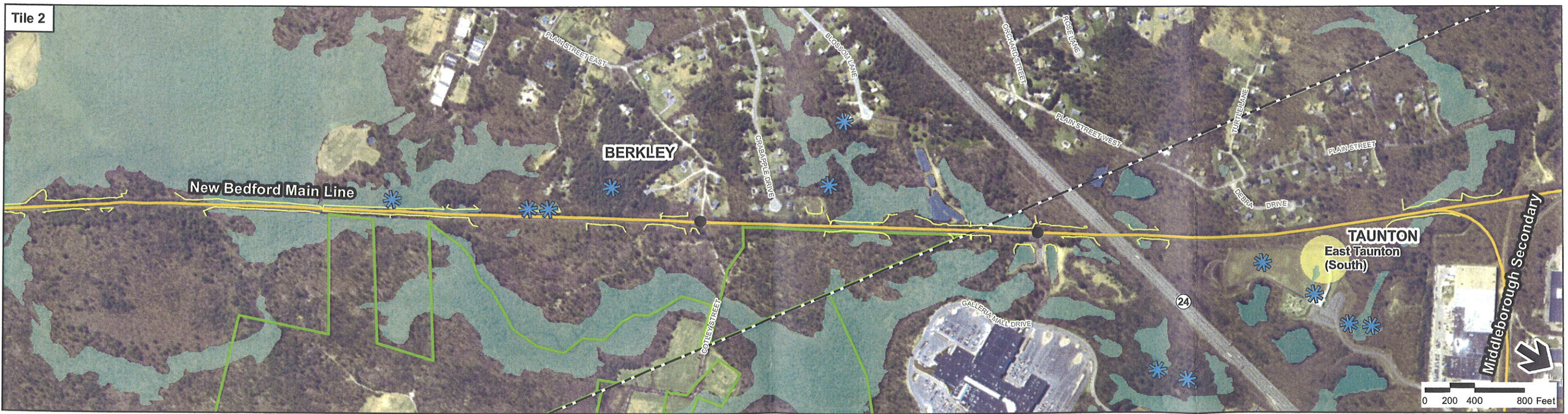
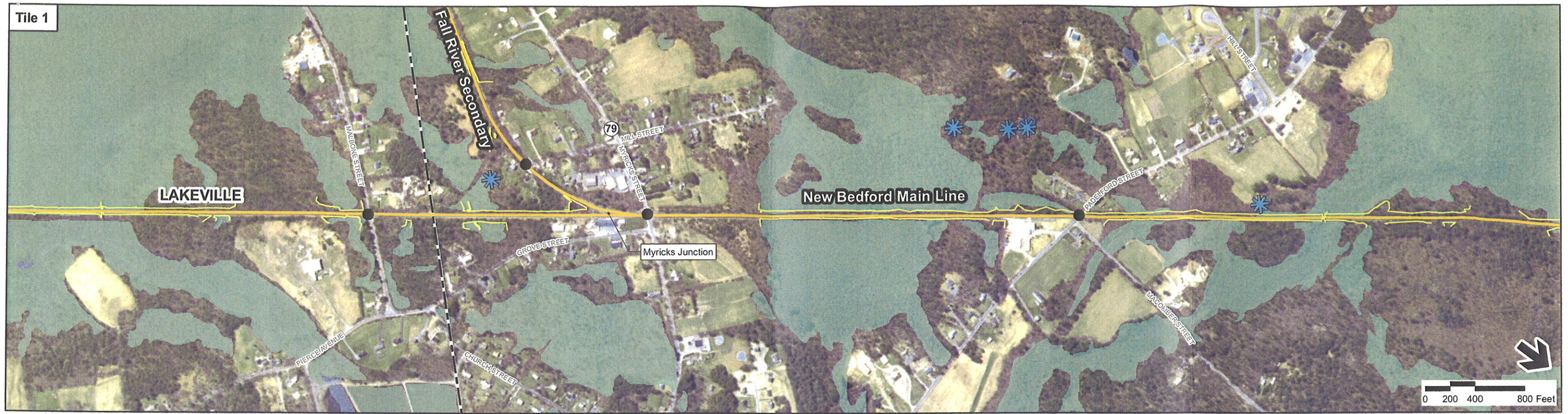




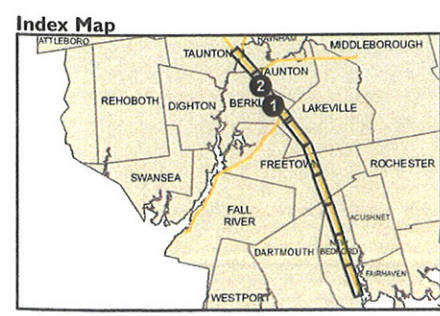
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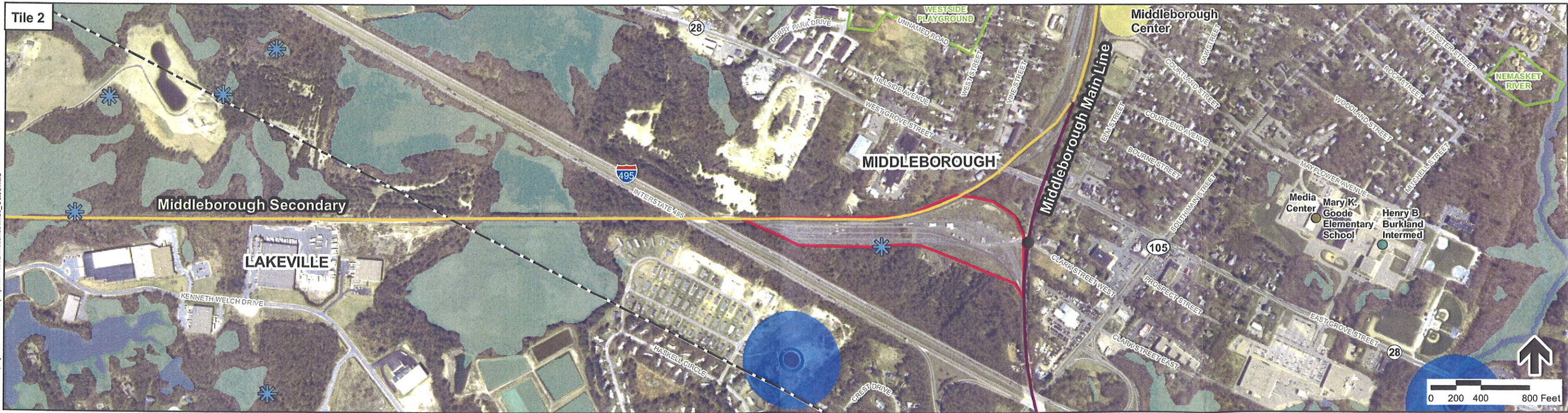
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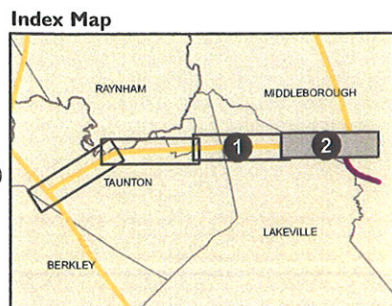
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**Figure 5-7b**  
**Middleborough Secondary**

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December 23, 2008

*Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.*

Ref: 10111.31

Ruth McCawley Geoffroy, Town Planner  
Middleborough Town Hall  
10 Nickerson Avenue  
Middleborough, MA 02346

RE: South Coast Rail Project

Dear Madam,

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SITE NAME	OWNER	MANAGER
Fields associated with Henry Burkland Elementary School	Town of Middleborough	Town of Middleborough School Department
Fields associated with Mary K Goode Elementary School	Town of Middleborough	Town of Middleborough School Department
Oliver Mill Park	Town of Middleborough	Town of Middleborough Parks Department
Westside Playground	Town of Middleborough	Town of Middleborough Parks Department

Source: MassGIS

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We ask that you confirm that this list of public open space properties is accurate and complete, and confirm the use (passive recreation, active recreation, etc) for each property that is in proximity to the proposed alternatives. Proximity is defined as those parcels that abut, could potentially abut, or are within a ½-mile of a potential station location or existing or proposed rail right-of-way.

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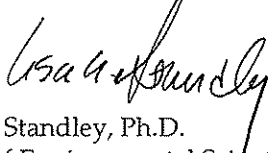
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- Map of the property (if available)

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VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.



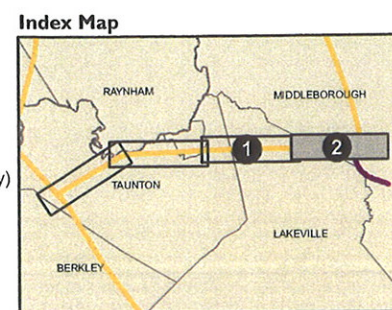
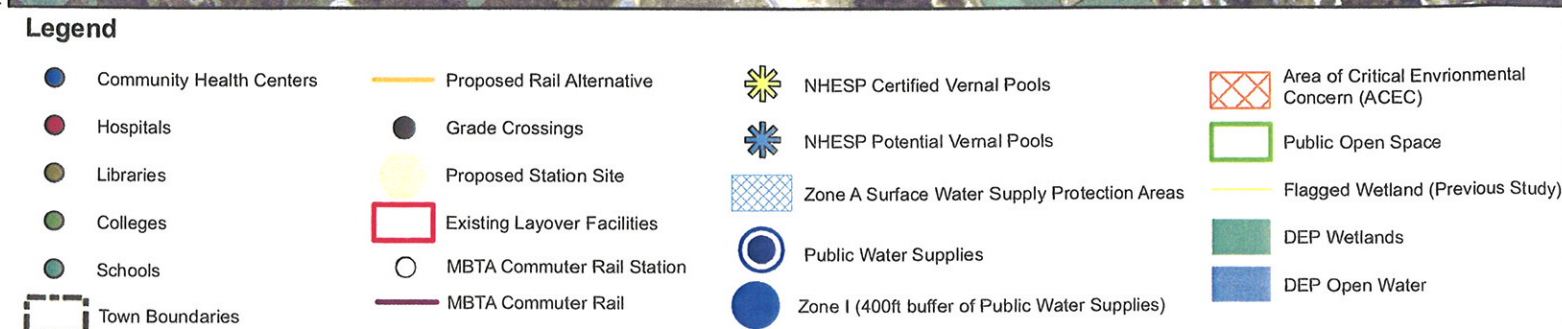
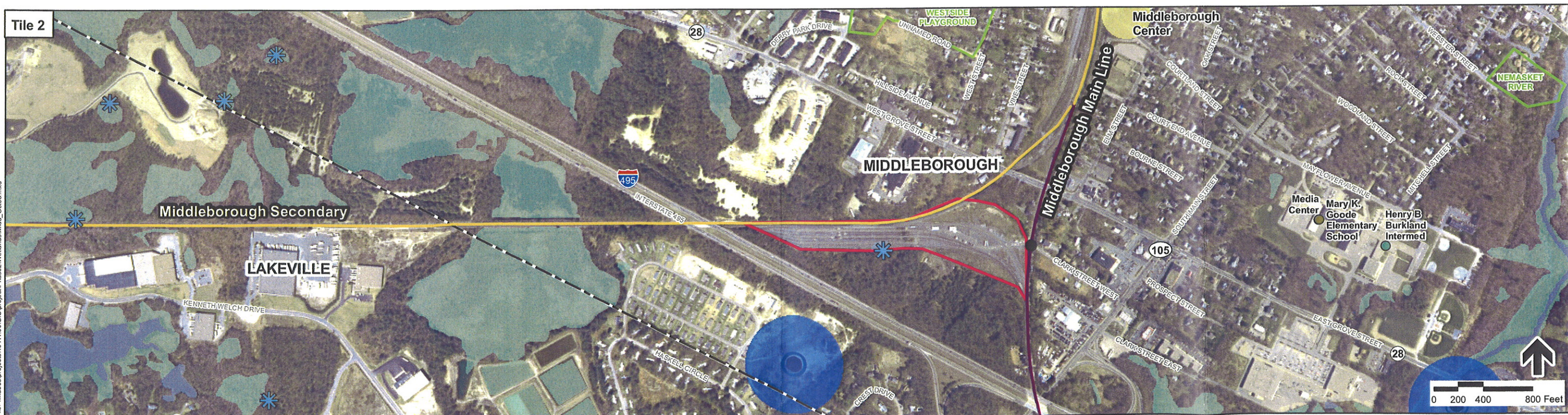
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Enclosure: Site Locus Map

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**Figure 5-7b**  
**Middleborough Secondary**

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**Subject:** Middleborough open space properties--finally  
**Attachments:** SCR-Open space map.pdf

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**From:** Joyce Rowley [mailto:jrowley@middleborough.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 11, 2009 4:21 PM  
**To:** Standley, Lisa  
**Subject:** Middleborough open space properties--finally

Hi, Lisa;

Attached is a pdf of the open space within ½ mile of the proposed village station site, and the Everett Street site. Open space within ½ mile of the layover site is for all intents and purposes the same as the village station site. Ownership is color coded, text below indicates ownership other than Town, or separate town agency. Middleborough Gas & Electric is not the same as the Town.

Below are the properties by number:

Village station, Layover sites

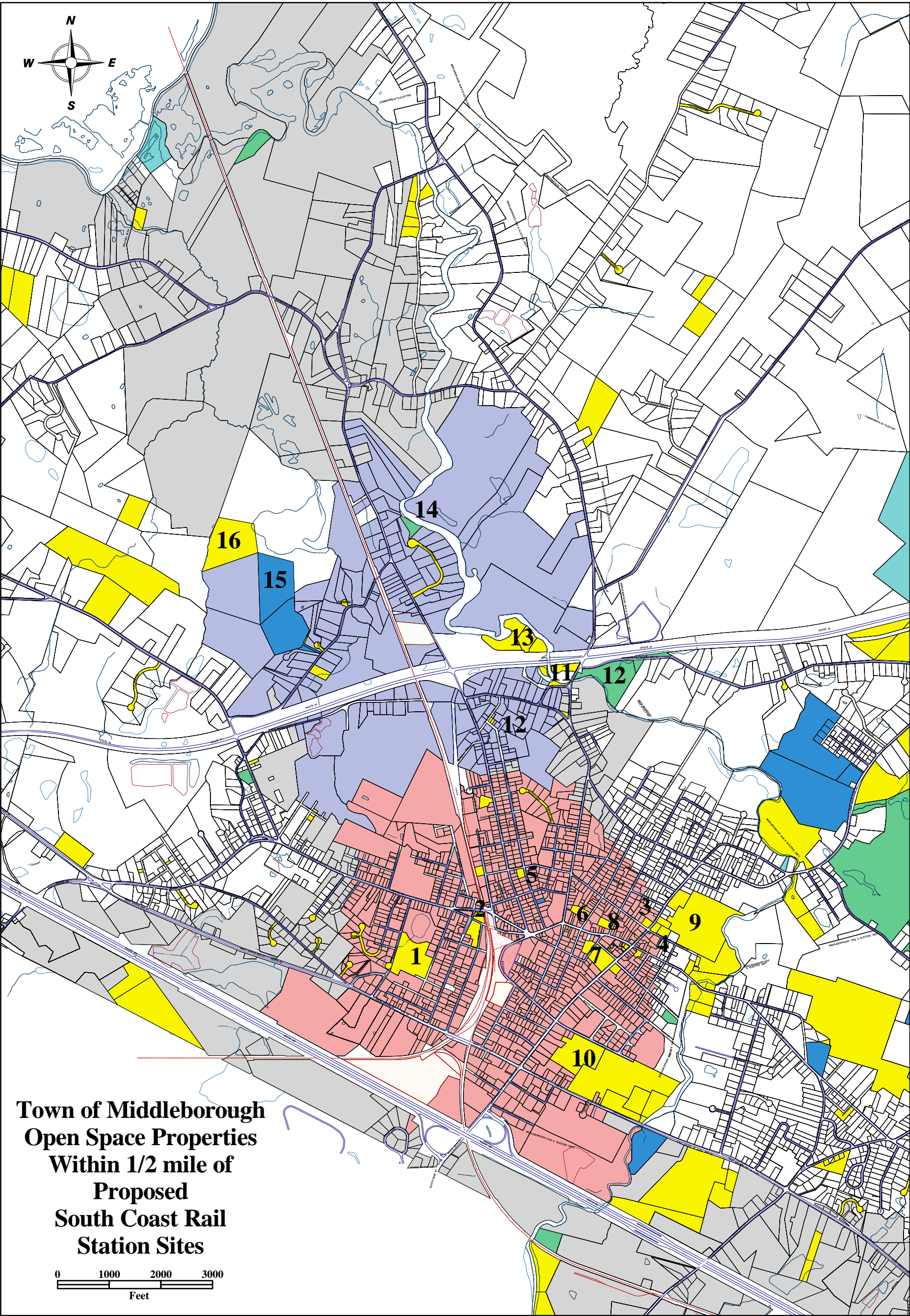
1. Westside school, West End playground. 11 acres. As name implies, playground, tot lot, two ball fields.
2. Middleborough Gas & Electric
3. Public library ½ acre
4. Police station ½ acre
5. Flora Clarke School ½ acre, school admin office
6. Pearl Street property 1 acre, unknown use
7. Town Hall (3 acre) and Lincoln Lynch School (not in service, 1.5 acre)
8. School Street School (historic school) 1 acre
9. Thomas Sproat Pierce Park, 24 acres, pool, skateboard park, fields
10. Mayflower Burkland School, 38.61 acres, Field of Dreams, 7.1 acres, 5 baseball diamonds, 3 basketball courts, two playgrounds, open field, indoor pool, ADA accessible.

Everett Street station site













11. Oliver Mill Park on Nemasket River, 5.16 acres, historic and passive recreation use, picnic tables, trails and bridges, herring run/fish ladder, canoe launch
12. Conservation Commission-owned 16.5 acres adjacent to Oliver Mill, passive recreation and wildlife viewing.
13. Town-owned Animal Shelter and waste water treatment plant, 9.6 acres total
14. Conservation-owned canoe launch area at end of Settler's Crossing, about 2 acres
15. Middleborough Water Department-owned well site, 31.2 acres total
16. Town-owned, 16.0 acres, unknown use.

Sorry it took so long—the info is not all in one place, and we have some really bizarre software called Integraph.

Regards,  
Joyce E. Rowley, AICP  
Staff Planner  
Town of Middleborough  
20 Centre Street  
Middleborough, MA 02346  
tel: 508-946-2425



**Legend**

	1/2 mi radius Village Center Site		CONSERVATION COMMISSION
	1/2 mile radius Everett Street Site 1		MIDDLEBOROUGH WATER DEPARTMENT
	1/2 mile radius SCR		TOWN OF MIDDLEBOROUGH ALL
	Everett Street Station Site 1		Comm of MA Open Space
	Layover Station		THE WILDLANDS TRUST
	Village Center site		RAILROAD





December 23, 2008

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Ref: 10111.31

David A. Kennedy, City Planner  
New Bedford Planning Department  
City Hall, Room 303,  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

RE: South Coast Rail Project

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Fields associated with Ashley and Phillips Avenue Schools	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford School Department
Baby Kenny's Tot Lot	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Belleville Ave Playground	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Brooklawn Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Clasky/Common Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Coast Guard Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Dias Field	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Edward James Playground	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Fisherman's Wharf Pier #3	City of New Bedford	(Unavailable)
Fields associated with Hayden-McFadden and Mount Pleasant Schools	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford School Department
Hicks-Logan Play Area	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Fields associated with Lincoln School	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford School Department
Marine Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Monte Playground	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Fields associated with	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford School Department
Playground associated with Parker Street School	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford School Department
Pine Hill Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Rasmus Tonnessen Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department
Riverside Park	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department

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SITE NAME	OWNER	MANAGER
Salvation Army Play Area	City of New Bedford	(Unavailable)
Recreation area associated with Satellite Village	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Housing Authority
Wings Ct	City of New Bedford	City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Department

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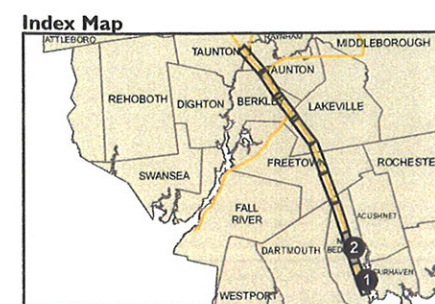
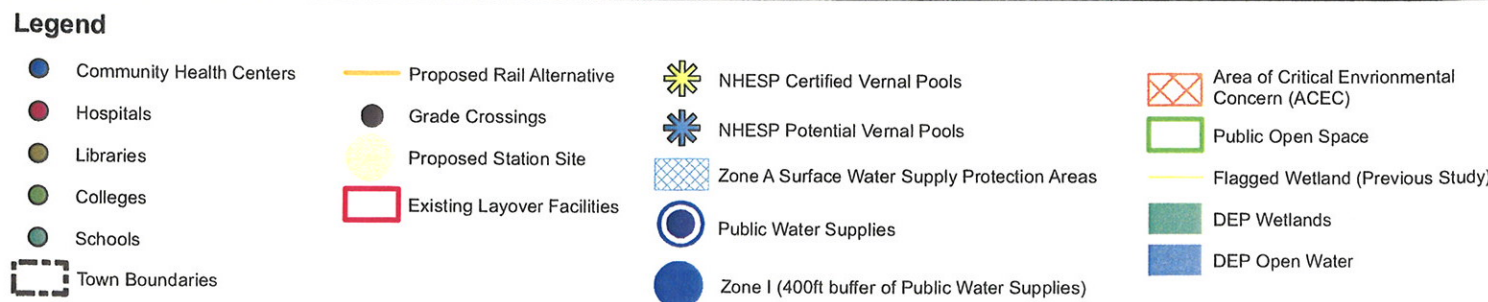
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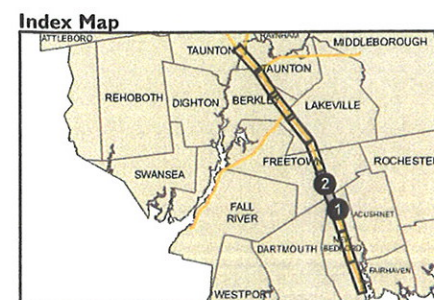
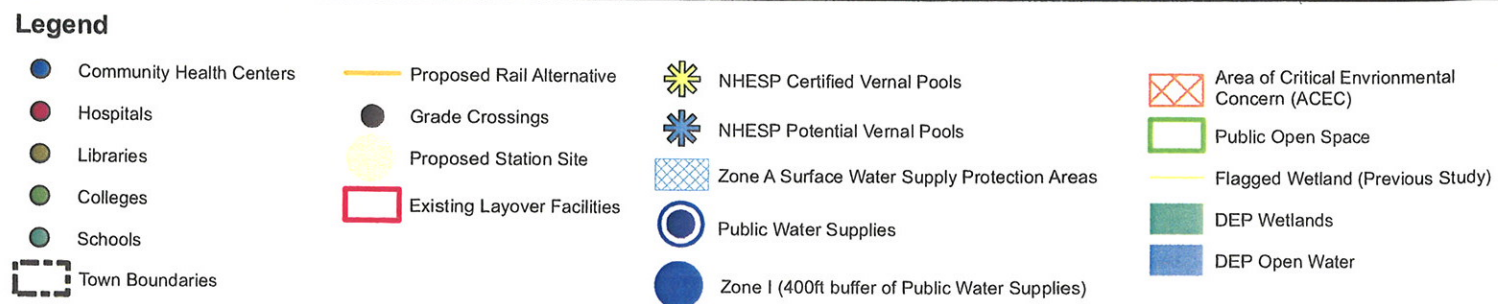
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**SOUTH COAST RAIL**

**Figure 5-4a**  
**New Bedford Main Line to Weir Junction**

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Town Planner  
Town of Raynham  
558 South Main Street  
Raynham, MA 02767

RE: South Coast Rail Project

Dear Sir or Madam,

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SITE NAME	OWNER	MANAGER
Borden Colony Recreation Area	Town of Raynham	Town of Raynham Recreation Commission
Dam Lot Brook Conservation Area	Town of Raynham	Town of Raynham Conservation Commission
Fields associated with Laliberte and Merrill Schools	Town of Raynham	Town of Raynham School Department
Pine Swamp	Town of Raynham	Town of Raynham Conservation Commission
Terra Property	City of Taunton	City of Taunton Conservation Commission
Woodland Conservation	Town of Raynham	Town of Raynham Conservation Commission

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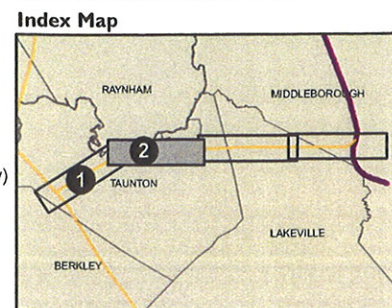
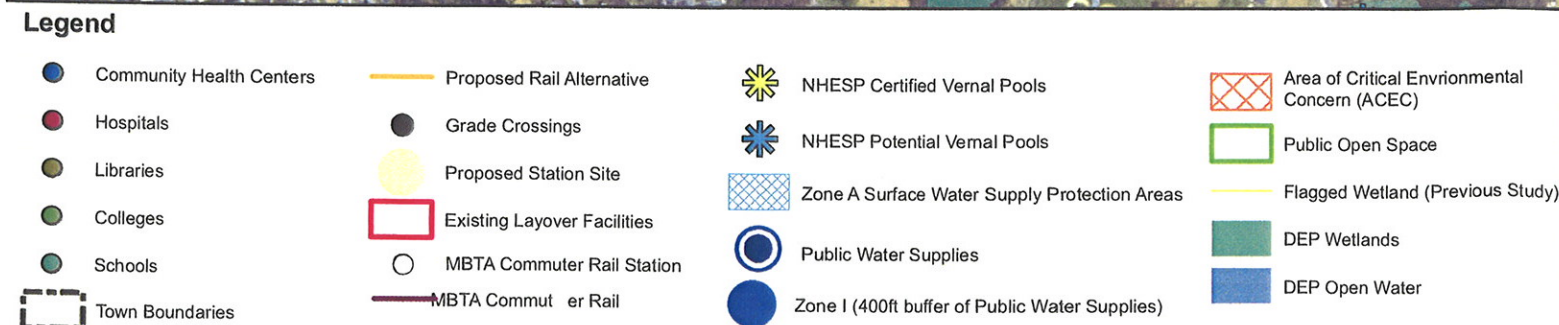
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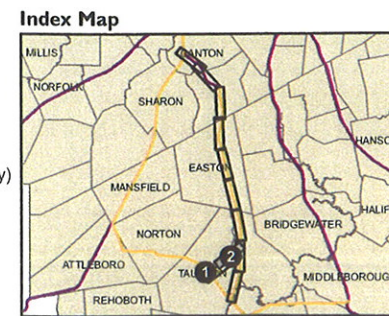
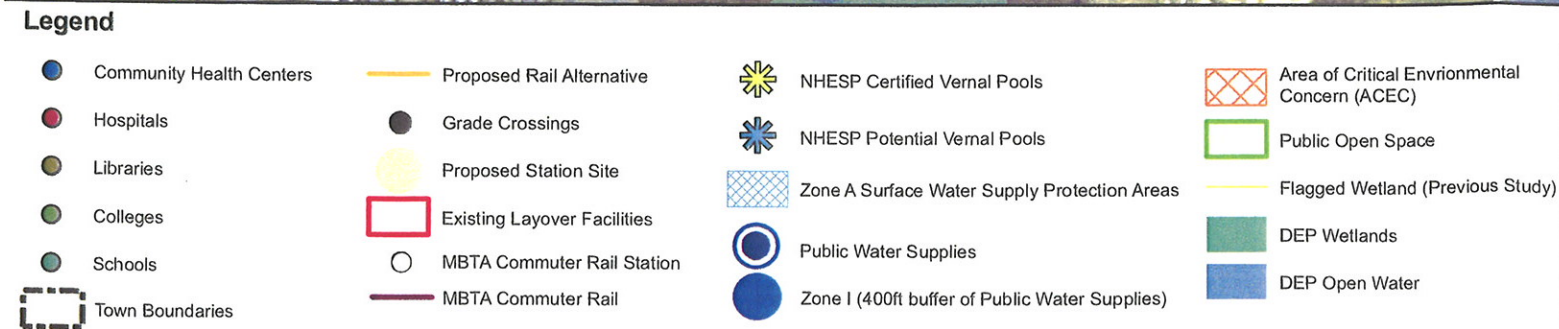
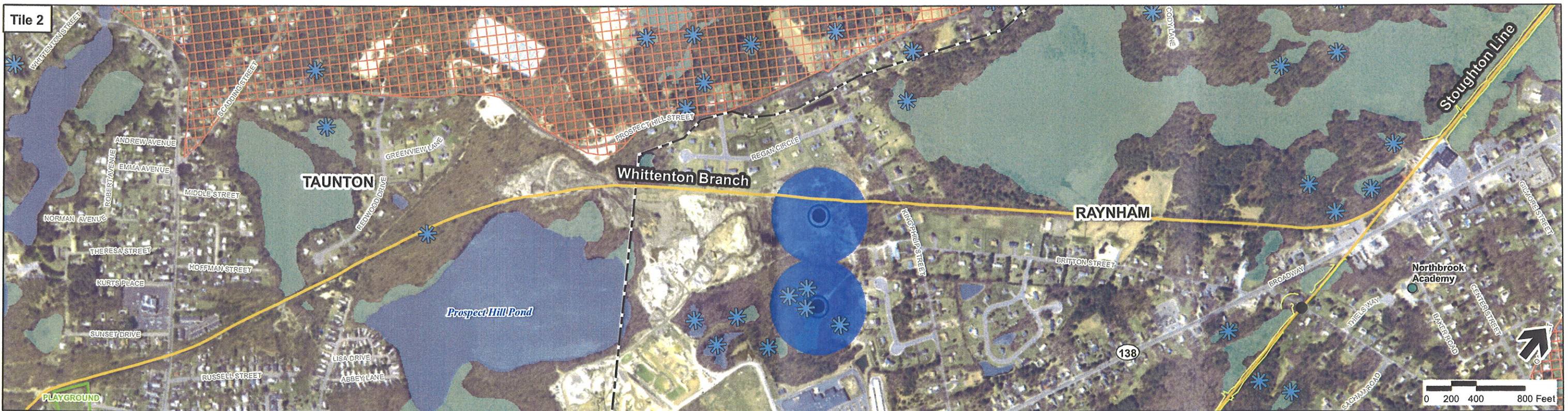




**Figure 5-7a**  
**Middleborough Secondary**

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**Figure 5-9a**  
**Weir Junction to Canton Junction**  
**Stoughton Line**

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